

Yanks Beat Tigers by 5-Run Rally in Seventh—Giants Lose

Hard Up-Hill Fight Puts Huggins's Men in High Favor

Home Team Lifts Pelts of Ferocious Felines After One of Grandest Free-for-All Tussles Ever Seen on Any Ball Field

By W. J. Macbeth

Midwest Miller Huggins and his Yankees won a home for themselves in the hearts of metropolitan fandom at the Polo Grounds yesterday afternoon by lifting the pelts of Hugh Jennings's Ferocious Felines after one of the grandest stand-up, free-for-all tussles ever seen on any ball lot. It was a tight squeeze, 6 to 5, and the Cats fought in a manner to justify the belief that the family is possessed of nine lives.

But in all its frenzy and thrills and heartaches and maddening change of fortune from start to finish, no battle, after a hundred rehearsals, could be better calculated to prove the fact that this little, old Manhattan has two real ball clubs on which to divide its love this year of grace.

Already this season Huggins's Yankees had done much precedent busting. It remained for them, as they did yesterday, to come so manfully from away behind in the closing rounds, to snatch victory from apparent sure defeat—and that before the largest crowd of the season out to pass judgment upon them—to gain the seal of local approval. For in the past this club has always been too prone to play the very poorest game it could conceive on big occasions, and to count asleep every time opportunity for clinching respect and favor came knocking at the door.

Yanks Displayed Gamesness

No one of the twenty-one thousand that sat in at Brush Stadium yesterday afternoon can deny that Huggins commands a powerful club, a resourceful one, as well as one to which the word "fight" has an absolutely foreign character. If ever a team had reason to feel discouraged and turn to the consolation of possible betterment of future days, that same was the Yankees after six innings of yesterday's battling had rolled into ancient history.

It wasn't so much that big Bill James was pitching the game of his life. And James was good—there is no denying that. Nothing would break right. That little cuss Donie Bush, for one, was himself enough of a joy killer. He was there and everywhere on the field and outfield, bobbing up in the most unexpected ways and places and killing off base hits with ease. The Slimmer, who was having all sorts of trouble controlling his hands and his speed, and it seemed about every base on balls he gave was somehow or other converted into a strike. The big, lumbering, slow-moving "Murderer" Row in the sixth had squandered what seemed the golden opportunity of their afternoon, when they failed to get a run over and only one out.

The score stood 4 to 1 in favor of the enemy when New York's lively seventh rolled around. This seventh inning was a story from the very beginning. The Yankees rose to a man, but their attitude was prayerful rather than hopeful. Midway through the inning, when a Charlie Chaplin act, who was doing a "Three Little Girls" sort of act, came on at the time. He came out in his reverie after two balls and two strikes had been called on Elmer Miller with a bright reserve.

Called Reserves

"My heavy artillery has failed me," used the Miller. "It can't get the range of the Royal Bengals. Why not try to rush the Felines with my whole reserves and beat the life out of them?"

No sooner thought of than Huggins began to put his scheme into execution. He rushed off his patrol with a slow to the umpires to halt the game. The second got himself in a hole by fouling off two. He took a ball, then cracked one through the box to Ty Cobb in deep center. This hit scored a run and put Walters on second. Ray Caldwell is one of the fastest sprinters on Huggins's team, but Fawcett is supposed to be a ghost. Caldwell had been hit by a line drive, so he was out.

Gilhooley, one of the quickest thinkers in the game, saw an opening to cross the Tiger infield, playing well. He started a prying, built up a lead, and was flattened, and the better would have gotten away with a heady hit but for Yelle's quick first. Yelle just did get Gil at first, the other two runners advancing on the sacrifice.

Exterminator Wins Classic Kentucky Derby

Was Rank Outsider—Escoba Runs Second, War Cloud Not in Money

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 11.—Wilmer Sharpe Kilmer's recent purchase, Exterminator, captured the forty-fourth renewal of the Kentucky Derby, which was the feature attraction of the opening day at the Churchill Downs race course here to-day. The event was run over a sloppy track. The victory of the rank outsider was a surprise.

Both War Cloud and Escoba, between whom it was expected that the fight for the honors would lie, did not race up to expectations. Escoba finished second, one length behind Exterminator, while Viva America, the only filly in the race, was third, eight lengths in the rear. War Cloud did not fancy the going and finished fourth. Eight of the ten entrants went to the post. The majority of the record crowd on hand appeared to favor War Cloud's chances.

Exterminator, a chestnut gelding out of McGee-Fair Empress, was purchased by Kilmer several days ago, when his favorite thoroughbred, Sun Briar, was withdrawn, owing to his unsatisfactory trials in preparation for the future. It is not believed that the Birmingham owner paid more than \$5,000 for Exterminator. If so, the victory today netted him an \$11,000 profit on the investment. The winner's share was about \$14,000, while Kenneth S. Alexander, owner of Escoba, received \$2,500, and C. T. Worthington, owner of Viva America, \$1,000.

Had Veteran Rider

Willie Knapp, the veteran jockey, who had the mount on Exterminator, showed sound judgment and skill in handling his charge. He rated the gelding behind the pace for three-quarters of the distance, then went to the front. He had to shake up his mount considerably in the closing yards as Escoba was coming on dangerously fast and threatening to overtake him.

Those who took the long chance on Exterminator profited to a large degree, as a \$2 ticket on him brought a fancy return of \$61.20. A \$2 ticket on Escoba for second position brought her a return of \$14.90. War Cloud, who was a favorite at odds of \$1.45 to \$1.

Fluke Play Saved Russell

A fluke double play saved Allen Russell a great deal of trouble in the eighth. Cobb singled, with one out. Young doubled off the left field, sending Russell to third. Here a "squeeze" play went wrong. Young missed a bunt and Russell was run down between the home and third. Then Young popped to Pratt.

Yankee Gossip

Third place, 15 points behind the pacesetters, is not so bad, with the season a month old and the Yankees coming stronger all the time.

The Metropolitan Life Band, which dispensed a patriotic concert from the extreme lower left wing of the grandstand, showed a gorgeous color scheme of sky blue tunics and white trousers.

A couple of the band boys, by the way, came mighty near to cashing in their policies. Hannah, Bodie and Vitt all sent wicked line fouls out that way that scrambled the musicians.

The Days of Real Sport



WHEN YOU FIRST TIPPED YOUR CAP TO A LADY.

Yale Shuts Out Harvard Nine In Easy Style

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 11.—Yale and Harvard met on the baseball field this afternoon for the first time in two years. The Harvard team easily winning the first of the season's series, 5 to 0.

Harvard could do nothing against the pitching of Frank Talcott, who mixed in speed with his slow drop ball in a fashion that had the young Crimson batters bewildered all afternoon. Harvard made only two hits in the game and only one reached third base, this because of a centre field boot on one of the hits.

Yale batted the offerings of Dan O'Keefe freely, the Harvard spitball thrower being none too steady. The Yale team made ten hits, driving home practically every run with a safe clutch beyond the limits of the infield.

Weak Battery Helps Yale

O'Keefe made two wild pitches, and his catcher, Gamack, besides having two passed balls, allowed seven stolen bases. Had it not been for battery weakness aside from the hits, Yale would have had a hard time to win the game 1 to 0, even with its extra supply of bats.

Talcott, however, was unshakable the way he worked today. He struck out ten batters, fanning all the batters in the fifth and getting five more before the end of the game.

Yale got its first run in the third inning. After two men had fanned Gordon singled to left field, stole second, aided by a wild pitch, and counted on Gage's single to centre. Two innings later Holmes singled, went to third on two passed balls and scored on Prann's liner through the box.

Holmes Scored Again

In the seventh Holmes singled and scored on Prann's hit. Prann also dashed to second and counted on Gordon's low drive that Coolidge could not hold. The last run for Yale came in the eighth, when Lyman was passed and scored on McCook's fly to centre and scoring when McCook dropped Sawyer's short fly.

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To Newport Naval Men

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